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# Optimization of antiproton injection to the Recycler

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# Introduction

- Recycler mission: accumulate and cool antiprotons, coming from the Accumulator, for the Tevatron shots

- Accumulation (“stashing”)

- Transfers of  $\sim 17E10$  every  $\sim 40$  min
- Shots to TeV with  $\sim 400E10$ 
  - Maximum  $527E10$ - no problems
- Maximum number of antiprotons is determined by Tevatron capabilities and by optimization of the complex's operation

- Cooling

- Antiproton brightness increases in the Recycler by a factor of 60

$$\text{Brightness} = \frac{(\text{Number of antiprotons})}{(\text{Longitudinal Emittance}) \cdot (\text{Horizontal Emittance}) \cdot (\text{Vertical Emittance})}$$

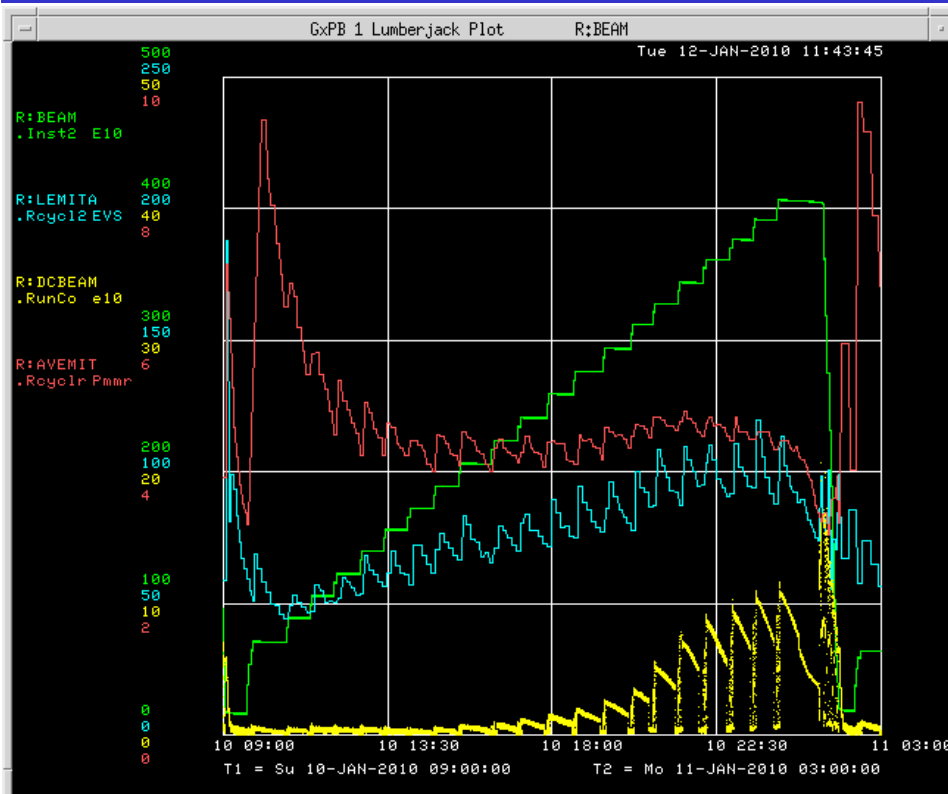
- Maximum brightness is determined by instabilities in the Recycler

- Still, we are improving the strength of electron cooling and the Recycler procedures

- The goal is to minimize antiproton losses in the Recycler
- The recent addition is a **modification of the injection procedure**



# Recycler stashing cycle



RR stashing cycle.

January 10-11, 2010.

Green – number of pbars,  
100E10/box

Blue – longitudinal emittance,  
50eVs/box

Yellow – DC beam, 10E10/box

Red – average transverse emittance  
(n 95%),  $2 \pi$  mm·mrad/box

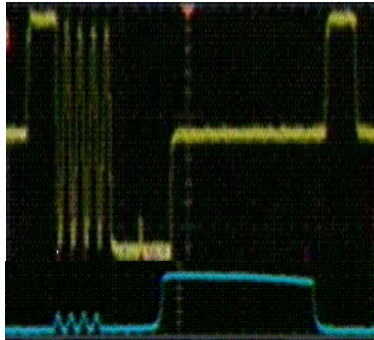
- Different behavior of transverse and longitudinal emittances through the stashing cycle

- For larger number of pbars, an increase of
  - the transverse emittance is less
  - the longitudinal emittance is more
  - the amount of DC beam is more

“DC beam” =  
particles not  
captured into RF  
bucket

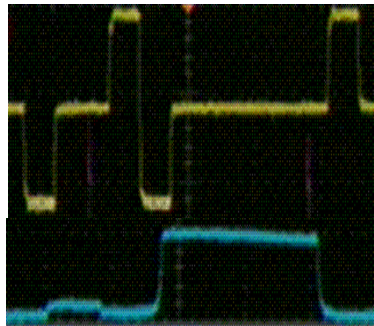
- The stash may be perturbed too much during injections

# Recycler injection before modification



Four antiproton bunches are injected into matching 2.5 MHz buckets

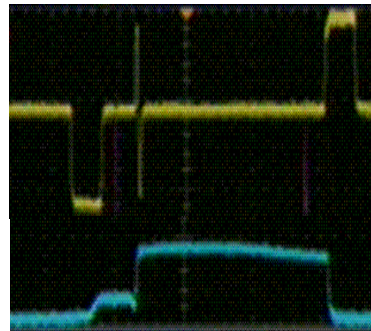
2.5 MHz structure is adiabatically removed; the injected beam is in a rectangular bucket



## ■ Longitudinal injection

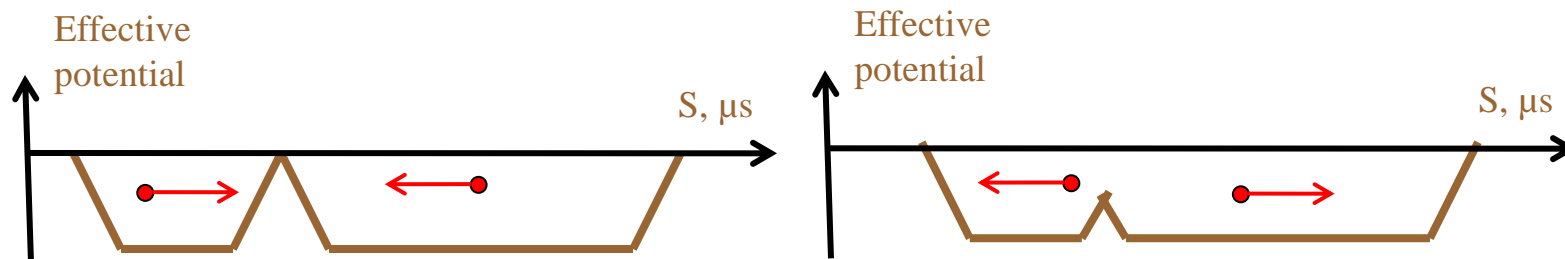
- The main beam is kept between two rectangular RF barriers at  $5.8 \mu\text{s}$
- Antiprotons arriving from Accumulator are injected into a free part of the same orbit
- After merging, the final bunch has an increased longitudinal emittance
- Typical efficiency of the transfer is  $\sim 95\%$  (from Acc. to RR)

Oscillograms of RF voltage and beam profile during injection. The horizontal span is one revolution period,  $11\mu\text{s}$ .



The injected beam is merged with the main bunch. Before merging, it is compressed from 84 to 50 bckts (C. Bhat)

## Direction of optimization



- When the barrier between the stash and the injected portion collapses, action of all particles increases approximately as the ratio of final and initial length of synchrotron trajectory.

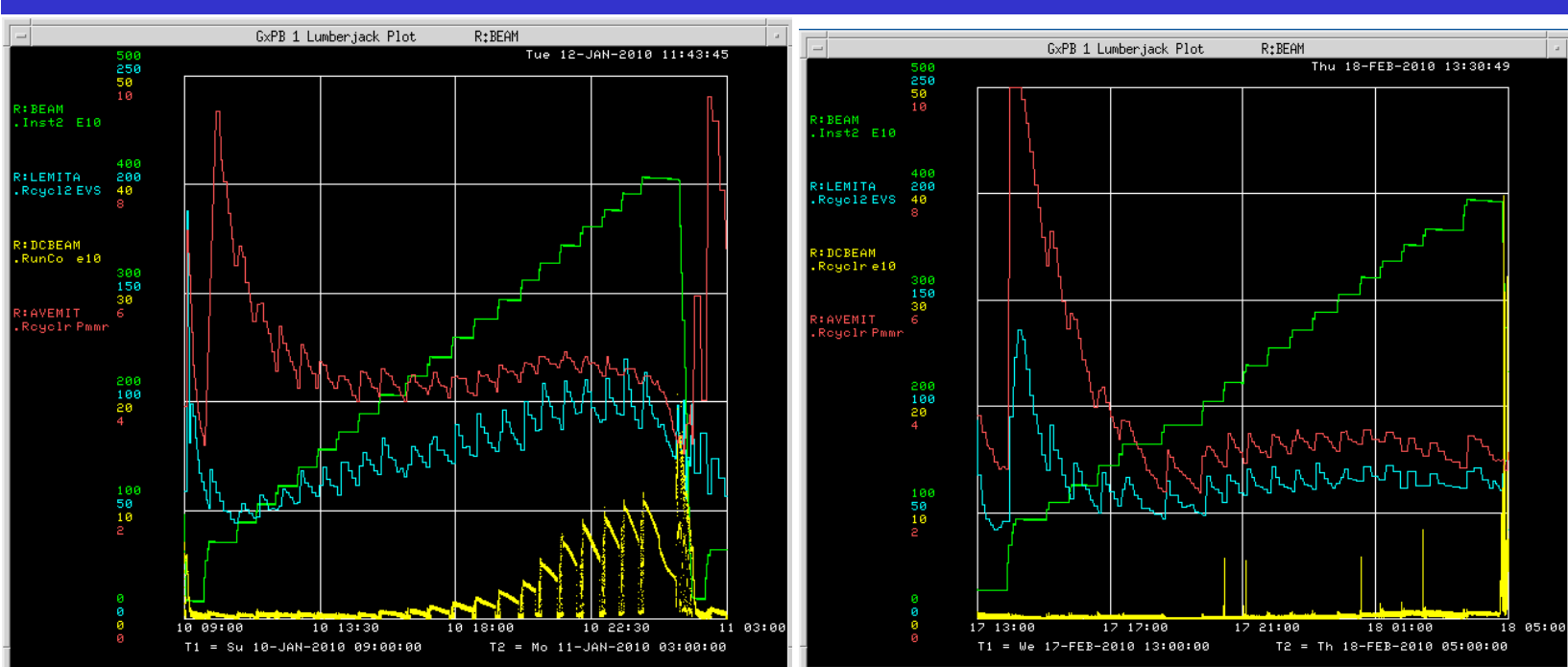
➤ If longitudinal phase densities and momentum spreads are the same in two portions, the final rms emittance is a sum of their emittances

$$\varepsilon_1 = \varepsilon_0 + \varepsilon_{in}$$

➤ At high number of pbars in RR, the phase density of stash is much higher than that of the injected beam. **It is better to squeeze the injected beam as much as possible before merging it to the stash.**

- It was implemented on 22-Jan-2010 (C. Bhat, C. Gattuso)

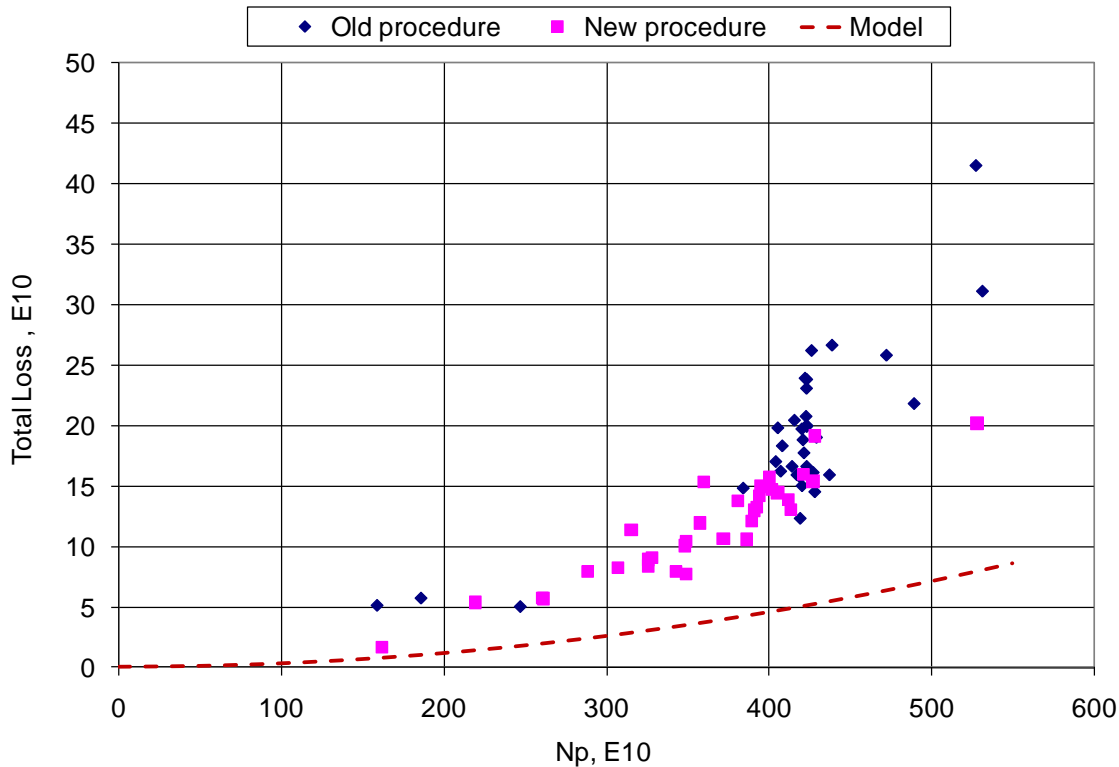
# Stashing with modified procedure



RR stashing cycle on January 10-11, 2010 (left) and February 17-18, 2010 (right). Green – number of pbars, 100E10/box; Blue – longitudinal emittance, 50eVs/box; Yellow – DC beam, 10E10/box; Red – average transverse emittance (n 95%),  $2\pi$  mm·mrad/box.

- The new procedure looks beneficial
  - the longitudinal emittance is lower
  - amount of DC beam is dramatically lower
    - In addition to this modification, the cooling section's magnetic field was aligned

# Beam loss in the Recycler



Total loss per stashing cycle as a function of the maximum number of antiprotons.

Blue – before the modification (23Dec09 – 21Jan10)

Magenta – after (22Jan10- 18Feb10)

Dashed line is the model of losses only due to vacuum (800 hrs life time, rate of incoming pbars of 22E10/hr).

- After this modification, the total beam loss per stashing cycle might have decreased by ~1% (of maximum number of antiprotons)
  - Cooling section was aligned around the same time